MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR (*a*) Inspectors—Nil. Anchal Masters and clerks 9.

(*b*) The *statement is laid on the table.

MR. C. JABAMONY NADAR : May I know who appoints such men ?

MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR : The Anchal Superintendent.

Income from duty on cocoanut products.

109. ✱ **MR. P. K. KUMARAN** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the average income to Government from duty on cocoanut products per acre of cocoanut-growing land ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : S. Rs. 1-10-14.

Proverthicars in the Revenue Department.

110. ✱ **MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there are any Proverthicars from Hindu Nadars or S. I. U. C. Christians ; and

(*b*) whether they will be pleased to place on the table a caste-war statement of the Proverthicars in the Revenue Department ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : (*a*) No.

(*b*) The †statement required is laid on the table.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR : From the appointments already effected I find that certain communities are not at all represented. May I know from the honourable member whether appointments will be made in proportion to population ?

MR. K. GEORGE : There will be a scheme for the recruitment of Proverthicars. The general principles will be laid down in that scheme.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertalla*) : May I know whether in that scheme preference will be given to communities who are poorly represented in the department ?

MR. K. GEORGE : I have announced a scheme which is only under consideration by me. It is too early to speak of the details of the scheme it has not come up for the consideration of Government so far.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE : For what purpose is that scheme being prepared ?

MR. K. GEORGE : For two reasons, and the main reason is that the recruitment of Proverthicars in the Revenue Dapartment has to be improved, to improve the efficiency of that department. Another issue that is being considered along with it is the principle of giving equal opportunities to all communities in the matter.

The outbreak of Malaria.

111. ✱**MR. M. KESAVA PANICKAR** (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the malaria infected areas in the Taluks of Neyyattinkara, Nedumangad and Vilavankod ;

(*b*) whether any representation, by way of resolutions on otherwise, has been received by Government for immediate action on the matter ; and

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(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, the action taken thereon ?

MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR : (*a*) The Aryanad, Uzhamalakkal and Veerankavoo pakuthies of Nedumangad taluk, Ottasekharamangalam, Perumkadavila, Maranallur, Kunnathukal and parts of Neyyattinkara pakuthies of the Neyyattinkara taluk and the Pacode pakuthy of the Vilavankod taluk.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) During the epidemic of malaria in the year 1934-35 preventive measures were started in the localities affected and the epidemic was brought under control. In view of the repeated incidence of malaria in the places mentioned in part (*a*), the preventive measures are being continued and when additional measures to combat the disease are found necessary, they will be introduced.

MR. M. KESAVA PANICKAR : With reference to the answer to part (*c*), may I know what preventive measures have been taken so far?

MR. K. PARAMESWARA PANICKAR : The Public Health Department have recommended the importation of a special species of fish called "gambusia affinis" which are supposed to combat mosquitoes ; they can destroy the malarial larvae. The anti-malarial measures are predomiently curative in nature ; the same is now carried on by the Medical Department and also by the Public Health Department. Besides a batch of five sanitary Inspectors is working in the affected areas for collecting statistics regarding malaria incidence and mortality and also for bringing the people of these areas into closer contact with the hospitals. In cases of malaria that have happened, they are investigating the possibility of preventing the recurrence of malaria in those tracts.

MR. M. KESAVA PANIKCAR : May I know whether any new dispensary has been started ?

MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR : Yes. Dispensaries have been opened and are working in Chempoor, Perumkadavila, and Kunnathukal where malarial patients are treated.

MR. M. KESAVA PANICKAR : May I know whether the medical aid will reach the affected arears ?

MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR : Yes.

MR. M. KESAVA PANICKAR : May I know whether there is any idea of giving help by supplying rice ?

MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR : No.

MR. K. G KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*) : May I know whether the Government are aware of complaints regarding insufficiency in the matter of help ?

MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR : The Government are now aware.

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI : May I know whether the Government are aware of a resolution passed at conference held at Neyyattinkara regarding the inadequacy of measures in combating malaria ?

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MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR: The Government are not aware.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE: May I know wherefrom that fish is being imported?

MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR: Bangalore.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE: May I know whether the Government have experimented as to whether that special fish will thrive in Travancore?

MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR: The results of the experiments are not yet before Government.

Road from Kaliyikkavila to Andukode.

112 *MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether any estimate is prepared for opening a road from Kaliyikkavila to Andukode in Vilavankod taluk?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: No.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: കളീക്കവിള അണ്ടുകോട് റോഡിന്റെ എസ്റ്റിമേറ്റ് തയ്യാറാക്കീട്ടില്ല എന്നു പറയുന്നു. ഇങ്ങനെ ഒരു റോഡിന്റെ ആവശ്യകത ഉണ്ടെന്നു ഗവണ്മെണ്ടിനു അറിയാമോ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: A lot of roads may be necessary. But I will refer the member straightway to what I said at the last Budget session in which I had asked the leaders of parties to call toeir members together and prepare a list of roads necessary according to priority

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: അങ്ങനെ ഒരു ലിസ്റ്റ് വന്നതിനുശേഷം അതിനെപ്പറ്റി അന്വേഷണം നടത്തുമോ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT. The Government will certainly take action as promised therein.

MR. JOSEPH VITHAYATHIL (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): May I know from the member whether such a list has been received by the department?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: No.

Grant-in-aid Medical Institutions.

113 *MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state the total number of grant-in-aid medical institutions (English) conducted by Hindus, Mahamedans and Christians?

MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR: Grants are given to eighteen institutions under the control of the Christians and three institutions under Hindus.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: മഹമ്മദിയർ നടത്തുന്ന സ്ഥാപനങ്ങൾക്ക് ഏതെങ്കിലും ഗ്രാന്റു കൊടുക്കുന്നുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR: അതിനെപ്പറ്റി അറിവില്ല.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: ഹിന്ദുക്കളല്ലാതെ വേറെ ആരെങ്കിലും ഈ മാതിരി നടത്തുന്ന സ്ഥാപനങ്ങൾക്കു ഗ്രാന്റു കിട്ടണമെന്നു അപേക്ഷിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

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